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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER SONYJP 3.3-1058 Art Unit Application No. Filing Date Examiner 10/542,431-Conf. #2750 July 14, 2005 2627 C. K. Nwakamma Applicant(s): Yasuharu Yamauchi RECORDING AND REPRODUCING METHOD AND RECORDING AND REPRODUCING Invention: **DEVICE FOR DATA** TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Number Number Remaining After **Previously Extra Claims** Amendment Paid Present 52.00 0.00 **Total Claims** 19 20 0 Х Independent 9 9 0 х 220.00 0.00 Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): 0.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: Small Entity x Large Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. x The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: December 29, 2008 Lawrence E. Russ Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 35,342 LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG, KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP 600 South Avenue West Westfield, New Jersey 07090 (908) 518-6309 I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to: MS RCE. Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Dear Madam:

response the Office Action dated In to September 3, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-19, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: